

The Director  
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Washington, D. C. 20505

Honorable Gary Hart  
Select Committee on Intelligence  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Hart:

At the Subcommittee on Budget Authorization hearing on the FY 1978 CIA budget request, you asked for CIA's estimate of the size of the Soviet foreign intelligence budget, and asked related questions about the Soviet intelligence effort. Enclosed is a memorandum summarizing our knowledge on these points. Please advise if we can be of further assistance.

Yours sincerely,

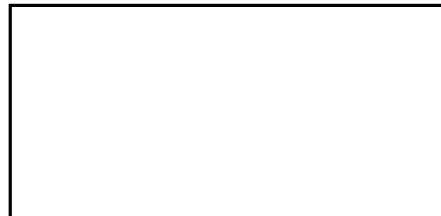
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